

2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: United States Naval Academy Board of Visitors

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1. Department or Agency

Department of Defense

2. Fiscal Year

2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee

United States Naval Academy Board of Visitors

3b. GSA Committee No.

399

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

11/13/2016

6. Expected Renewal Date

11/13/2018

7. Expected Term Date

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

8b. Specific Termination Authority

8c. Actual Term Date

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

No

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific Establishment Authority

10 U.S.C. 6968

13. Effective Date

02/14/1879

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

Yes

15. Description of Committee Non Scientific Program Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports

1

16b. Report Date

02/02/2018

Report Title

2017 Annual Report

Number of Committee Reports Listed: 1

17a. Open 0 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 3 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 3

Meetings and Dates

Purpose

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Start

End

12/04/2017 - 12/04/2017

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04/23/2018 - 04/23/2018

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09/04/2018 - 09/04/2018

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 3

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$16,642.00	\$16,642.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$21,142.00	\$21,142.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.20	0.20

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

During FY-17, the Board met three times. There were no subcommittee meetings. The Board received updates on institutional affairs to include the Superintendent's vision for the academy, morale and discipline, curriculum, instruction, physical equipment, fiscal affairs, academic methods, diversity initiatives, as well as various requested topics by the Board. The Board completed its mission to report to the President on the affairs of the Naval Academy with the annual report dated February 2, 2018.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

Membership is well balanced with six (6) Presidential Appointees, four (4) Senators, and five (5) Congressional Representatives. The Presidential Appointees represent a blend of wealth and experience in the private sector, military, and government service. Congressional members serve in a variety of critical committees, including the Armed Services Committee and the Appropriations Committee.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

Under the provisions of U.S. Code Title 10, Sec. 6968 the Board of Visitors visits the Naval Academy annually. The Board decided to hold 3 meetings this year by mutual agreement between the Chairman of the Board and the Superintendent. During this past fiscal year, the board met on December 5, 2016; March 27, 2017; and September 11, 2017. The September meeting was held at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

Federal statute (10 U.S.C. 6968) requires the Secretary of Defense to establish this committee.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

Meetings are not closed to the public unless the Department of Defense determines that items on the planned agenda meet the closed meeting provisions of 5 U.S.C. §552b(c). Pursuant to DoD Policy, closed meetings can only be authorized by the DoD Sponsor, the Secretary of the Navy or designee, and only after consultation with the Office of the Secretary of the Navy General Counsel.

21. Remarks

The committee does not issue any specific report to the Superintendent. However, their recommendations are contained within their meeting minutes, which are reviewed by the Superintendent. The committee issues an annual letter to the President of the United States within 60 days of its annual meeting. The December meeting is designated as the "annual" meeting by the committee's bylaws. Department of Defense (DoD) policy between fiscal year 2007 and 2011 required that subcommittee members be listed separately in the subcommittee section of GSA's Database, even if they were duly appointed members of the parent committee. This policy, in some instances, caused a duplication of entries. Beginning in fiscal year 2012, DoD will only list in the subcommittee section of GSA's Database those who are appointed to just a subcommittee. If an individual is appointed to the parent committee and to one of the committee's authorized subcommittees then his or her subcommittee affiliation will be reflected in the parent committee membership section of GSA's Database.

Designated Federal Officer

George E. Lang Chief of Staff, United States Naval Academy

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Barker, Skip	12/01/2016	03/01/2018	Pilcher & Pilcher	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Cardin, Benjamin	09/01/2007	09/01/2027	Senator from Maryland	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Cnossen, Daniel	09/12/2016	03/01/2018	Former Navy SEAL and Paraolympian	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Cummings, Elijah	12/17/2005	12/17/2025	Representative from the Seventh District of Maryland	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
DeSantis, Ron	02/01/2017	09/10/2018	Representative from the Sixth District of Florida	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Fox, Christine	12/01/2016	12/01/2019	JHU APL	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Gallagher, Mike	11/02/2017	03/29/2019	Member of Congress	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Gould, George	03/01/2018	03/01/2021	Independent Investor	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Jackson, Ronny	03/01/2018	03/01/2021	US Navy	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Lankford, James	03/24/2017	03/24/2037	Senator from Oklahoma	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Parker, Anothony	03/01/2018	03/01/2021	President, Parker Tide	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Ruppersberger, Dutch	12/10/2007	12/10/2027	Representative from the Second District of Maryland	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Shaheen, Jeanne	06/01/2015	06/01/2023	Senator from New Hampshire	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Sullivan, Dan	06/01/2015	06/01/2023	Senator from Alaska	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Wallach, Evan	08/25/2014	03/01/2018	U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Winnefeld, James	09/12/2016	09/12/2019	Former Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Wittman, Robert	09/14/2009	09/14/2029	Representative from the First District of Virginia	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Wright, Matice	12/01/2016	12/01/2019	Mantech International	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 18

Narrative Description

The Board of Visitors supports the mission by inquiring into the state of morale and discipline, curriculum, instruction, physical equipment, fiscal affairs, academic methods, and other matters relating to the Naval Academy.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

The Board of Visitors provides oversight to the U.S. Naval Academy and, as such, these performance measurements do not lend themselves to the BOV's role.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

NA

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

18

Number of Recommendations Comments

In the past several years the Board has focused on minor improvements to policies already in place at the Naval Academy. A report of these improvements is included in the Board's Annual report to the President of the United States. USNA responds to these recommendations at each meeting and annually in the report. The Board then informally evaluates USNA's response to all recommendations. No formal recommendations have been issued from the Board of Visitors over the past several years including FY17.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

89%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

Some recommendations are in areas that USNA will never determine to be complete, such as predictable funding for USNA and preventing sexual assault and harassment All of the recommendations to the President have been acted upon and are tracking for completion.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or

will be Partially implemented by the agency?

6%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Same as above.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

USNA feedback is part of the Annual Report to the President. Additionally, the Board asks for an update from USNA leadership at each meeting.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

Taken specific actions to improve specific programs at USNA. USNA leadership maintains a close relationship with senior Department of the Navy leadership and the Board of Visitors to address critical operational and social issues at the Academy.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

The Board of Visitors' authority does not involve issuing grants.

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>

Online Committee Web Site
Online GSA FACA Web Site
Publications
Other

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Access Comments

The USNA BOV Annual reports are maintained on the GSA's FACA Database and also forwarded to the Library of Congress after Presidential Review.